

Ortt Secures \$1.6 Million for Orleans County Projects

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TOWN OF MURRAY – State Senator Rob Ortt (R,C,I – North Tonawanda) today announced a total of \$1.6 million in state grants he secured for equipment and several capital improvement projects throughout Orleans County. The projects will help small local governments, support the health and safety of residents, and contribute to the economic growth of neighborhoods throughout the county.

Senator Ortt said, "This funding will help equip communities with the tools and resources they need to improve the county's quality of life and create new economic opportunities for

residents. By investing in these projects, we are stimulating local development, creating and retaining jobs, and strengthening the region's economy."

The Town of Murray Highway Department has received \$200,000 for a new snowplow/dump truck replacing a 16-year-old truck. The heavy-duty vehicle will remove snow and ice from state, county and town roads during the winter months, as well as carry materials to pave and maintain roads during the warmer months.

Murray Town Supervisor John Morriss said, "On behalf of the Town of Murray, I want to express my gratitude to Senator Ortt for his efforts in securing this grant for the Town. This new truck will help the highway department do a more efficient job of road maintenance making travel through the Town safer of all who use our roads."

Vice Chair of the Orleans County Legislature Lynne M. Johnson (R-Yates), said, "As an Orleans County Legislator it pleases me to see the level of care Senator Ortt has taken, not only in our county but in our towns and villages as well."

Other countywide capital investments include:

- Town of Clarendon \$200,000 to paint the interior and exterior of its water tower;
- Town of Barre \$154,000 to purchase a snowplow;
- Town of Kendall \$150,000 will go toward constructing a new water district to supply clean water to approximately 60 residents who currently rely on wells for water;
- Town of Carlton Fire Company #1 \$100,000 for repairs and renovations to the town's fire department facilities;
- Town of Carlton \$100,000 to purchase a plow truck;
- Orleans Economic Development Agency \$76,800 for infrastructure upgrades to Medina Business Park that fast-tracked Pride Pak's expansion earlier this year;

- Orleans County Office of Emergency Management \$75,000 for a fire training trailer;
- Town of Gaines \$75,000 for upgrades to town hall;
- Village of Medina \$65,000 toward improvements to village facilities;
- Village of Medina \$64,000 toward a heavy duty fire rescue vehicle and trailer;
- Town of Albion \$50,000 to purchase a highway dump truck;
- Village of Albion \$50,000 for Bullard Park Playground renovations;
- Village of Lyndonville \$50,000 for improvements to dam control gate;
- Town of Shelby \$50,000 for renovations to town hall and court facility.

The capital funds for projects may be used for equipment, including construction vehicles, snowplows, and heavy duty emergency response vehicles, costs of construction, demolition, replacement, renovation, or planning and design, including engineering and other services.